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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3837**
Kazuyoshi FURUSAWA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003_1358A
Serial No. 10/668,284 : Group Art Unit 1615
Filed September 24, 2003 : Examiner Melissa S. Mercier
FENTANYL COMPOUND-CONTAINING : **Mail Stop: Amendment**
EDIBLE PATCH TO BE
APPLIED TO ORAL MUCOSA

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of July 25, 2007, constituting a requirement for an election of species between (A) a non-disintegrating support layer, and (B) a disintegrating support layer, Applicants hereby elect species A, i.e. a non-disintegrating support layer.

The claims which read on the elected species are claims 1, 2, 4-6, 13 and 14.

Applicants emphasize that this election is made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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